REMARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that the abstract is objected to and the specification is objected to as well.

Claims 3, 5, 7 and 8 are also objected to.

Finally, claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112.

In connection with the Examiner's formal objections and rejections, applicant amended the specification to provide the corresponding headings as required.

Also, a cross-reference to the priority application has been introduced in the beginning of the specification.

The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended as required.

As for claims 3, 5, 7 and 8, it is respectfully submitted that a Simultaneous Amendment was filed simultaneously with filing of the present application, in which the dependencies of these claims have been amended, to

eliminate the multiple dependencies. However, with the present Amendment applicant again amended these claims to eliminate the multiple dependencies.

After carefully considering the Examiner's grounds for the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 112, the claims have been amended as required by the Examiner.

The prior art which was cited but not applied against the claims does not disclose the new features of the present invention which are now defined in the claims.

It is therefore believed that the claims currently on file should be considered as patentably distinguishing over the art and should be allowed.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should

the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance; he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

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